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- a fracas with Walter Villagomez, a reporter of the newspaper La Razon. Villagomez has had a warrant issued for Ordoyo's arrest, and the police are hunting for him. It is believed that the police are searching for him for reasons other than Villagomez' complaint. The police are anxious to arrest him and spirit him out of the country before La Razon learns Ordoyo's real mission and purpose in Bolivia.
- The incident between Ordoyo and Villagomez occurred when the latter overheard Ordoyo discussing in a loud voice his uncomplimentary opinions of Bolivia and Bolivians. Villagomez, who had no knowledge of Ordoyo's identity, touched him on the shoulder and informed him that if he did not like Bolivia, he was free to leave and return to whatever country he had come from. Words followed between the two, and Ordoyo, in a burst of rage, took out his revolver and struck his adversary over the head. At the same time, he warned bystanders that he would shoot anyone who intervened. After beating Villagomez, Ordoyo returned to his hotel, packed his clothes and disappeared.

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